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TOPIC Special Motor Vehicles and Covered Trucks Delivered to the Air Force Depot in Strausberg

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REMARKS

- On 26 September 1950, four special motor vehicles were unloaded in Strausberg for the air force depot, and on 2 October 1950 three new covered trucks were unloaded. * The covered trucks, which were high, had a sheet metal roof, and sides consisting of tarpaulins with small windows which could be rolled up. In one of these trucks a cable reel was seen in the right and left hand rear corners while a sheet metal cabinet was standing in the middle. Each of these trucks had a double-wheeled, one-axle trailer, which was provided with a box-like superstructure covered with a tarpaulin. These trucks were towed away by trucks motor vehicles were also seen: passenger cars and trucks **

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- Three additional covered trucks and two more special motor vehicles arrived on 3 October. Instruments were seen in the interior of the motor vehicles, which were provided with devices to facilitate access to the roof. The door was on the right side.

- All of the special motor vehicles, which to date were shipped to the air force depot and which were previously believed to be personnel carriers, have, in the interim, been issued to troop units.

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* Comment. These special motor vehicles are believed to be radio trucks.

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the base, on which an antenna can be mounted, on the sheet metal roof of the vehicle. The covered trucks are believed to be mobile power units for the radio sets located on the pertaining trailers. The cable reels indicate that the power unit and radio set are set up at some distance from each other. The trailers were probably fitted with duals in order to improve their cross-country mobility.

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** Comment. Vehicle assigned to a ground unit of the ground attack regiment in Koethen;

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